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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents/School Principals/School Safety Specialists

FROM: Dr. Rich Hogue, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services
Gary Green, Director of Student Services

DATE: January 5, 2011

SUBJECT: Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy (ISSSA) Innovative Project Grant Announcement

In an effort to augment school safety efforts in Indiana, the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) would like to announce a new grant opportunity emphasizing enhanced security hardware and school safety initiatives. Recipients must justify need by identifying gaps in security, along with gaps in resources, and state clear objectives to be achieved through funding.

Many schools report that they are below an acceptable standard with regards to door locks, camera systems, communications equipment, and more. The goal of this grant is to assist these schools to enhance their security needs in a way that will improve the overall safety of their students and staff.

This competitive grant opportunity will provide up to \$10,000 to a single school corporation and up to \$20,000 for collaborative proposals involving multiple school corporations. A total of \$100,000 has been designated to fund this project. The project period for funded activities concludes June 30, 2011. Eligible applicants include Indiana public school corporations and private or non-public schools accredited by IDOE.

The grant application and other related information is posted on the ISSSA website at www.doe.in.gov/issasa/welcome.html. Applications must be postmarked by January 31, 2011 and applicants will be notified regarding their selection status by February 25, 2011. Applications should be mailed to Ryan Stewart, Indiana Department of Education, 151 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Please contact Jeff Barber, at (317) 232-9143 or by email at jbarber@doe.in.gov if you have any questions or if you are in need of assistance in regard to this grant opportunity.